

TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE TOWN BULLETIN JUNE 2009

June 4th WABA 7:00pm Thursday **Bridges** June 9th TOWN COUNCIL 7:00pm Tuesday Sharp June 18th PLANNING COMMISSION 7:00pm Thursday Scott June 20th Meet the Lifeguards 2:00pm Saturday Beach

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IN MEMORIAM: Dr. Peter Knoepfler, a Beaux Arts resident for over 25 years, died May 4, 2009 after a stroke at the age of 80 years. Peter was born in Austria of Hungarian parents, escaped the Holocaust, and lost most of his extended family during WWII. He endured an incredible journey of his childhood surviving through Hungary, France, Italy, and then Brazil where he graduated from high school. Peter came to the US at age 19 to study chemistry and later psychiatry, earning several degrees along the way. Peter was also fluent in 7 languages, served in the Air Force, worked for the Peace Corp, had his own private practice, taught at UW Medical and led therapy groups. He became one of the first certified sex therapists in the country and served on many Boards. Peter read and travelled extensively, loved music and people. Our deepest sympathies go out to the family of this amazing man, who is survived by his wife Gayle of 48 years, 3 sons (David, Daniel and Paul) as well as 6 grandchildren, and two cousins. Peter and Gayle raised their boys here and lived in the Van de Camp house from 1970 to 1996.

COUNCIL ELECTIONS: Most Council positions have terms expiring this year and therefore are up for election this fall. The following Council positions available for candidates now are:

Mayor (incumbent Richard Leider)

Council Position No. 1 (incumbent Mike Hillberg for an unexpired two-year term)

Council Position No. 3 (no incumbent)

Council Position No. 4 (incumbent Carol Clemett)
Council Position No. 5 (incumbent Aaron Sharp)

You'll notice Council Position No. 2 is not listed above as Council member Steve Eulau's term does not expire until 12/31/11. Any resident of the Town of Beaux Arts Village may run for election to these offices. To do so, one must file with King County Department of Elections. This year's filing period opens at 8:30 am on Monday June 1, 2009 and closes at 4:30 pm on Friday June 5, 2009. For more information about candidate filing, either online, in person, or by mail, please visit:

http://www.kingcounty.gov/elections/referenceresources/candidatefiling.aspx#fil. This gives only (THIS) ONE WEEK for those interested to file (including incumbents) so if you've ever thought about being involved with the Council, NOW is the time! Any positions not filled through the election process this fall will have to be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council for balance of the term. Terms run for four years between elections.

NEW MAYOR AND COUNCIL VACANCY: Most residents are already aware that John and Patty Rose are selling their home and moving to Seattle's Queen Anne hill in the very near future. John tendered his resignation to the Council at their May 12th meeting pending the appointment of his replacement. At a special meeting held on May 26th, the Council appointed Richard Leider to fill the remainder of John's term, which expires on 12/31/09.

The Council hopes you will join them in welcoming Rick to his new role as Mayor and will take a moment to thank John for his service to the Town both as a Councilmember and as Mayor! As a result of this appointment, Mayor Leider's former Council position is now vacant. This position will be up for election this fall, and Rick and the Council hope that whoever files the position for the remainder of this term will choose to stand for election in the fall. Interested residents are encouraged to contact Mayor Leider to express interest in filling this position. Mayor Leider hopes to have it filled quickly so that the Town Council can remain focused on several important tasks that are underway.

COUNCIL BUSINESS: At the May 12th Council meeting:

- The Council briefly discussed a City of Bellevue proposal to make improvements along 108th Ave SE, which may include that portion situated within the Town's boundaries. This discussion was limited since the Town has received no official communication either describing the project in detail or setting forth Bellevue's proposed ideas for Beaux Arts' participation. The Council intends to discuss this issue more thoroughly as additional information becomes available.
- Councilmember Eulau reported on his significant progress in developing the Town's Comprehensive Emergency Management Program. Using assistance provided by the State, Steve has written a draft for the Council to begin reviewing and intends for the end result to be a hands-on document that proves useful to all Town residents in the event of a natural disaster or other emergency.
- Councilmember Sharp reported that the contract to a survey of the Town's existing storm water facilities was awarded to Axis Surveying and that work has already begun.
- The Council confirmed the appointment of Brian Kemp to the Board of Adjustment filling the remainder of Robin Stefan's term, which expires December 31, 2010. Thank you Brian for your willingness to serve on the very important Board! Thank you, Robin, for your service as well.
- The Council continued reviewing and discussing an ordinance regulating the use and development of Town Rights Of Way.
- The Council will continues its review of regulations governing parking on public property. Residents who have concerns about parking in particular areas or situations within the Town are encouraged to contact a Councilmember or Clerk-Treasurer Spens to share those concerns.
- Councilmember Leider reported that as of the end of the First Quarter, the Town's revenues are slightly under budget and expenditures are on target.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: The next meeting of the Town Council will be held at **7:00pm on Tuesday, June 9, 2009** at Aaron Sharp's house. The July Council meeting regularly scheduled for July 14, 2009 will be held *one week earlier on July 7th* at Carol Clemett's house.

REMINDER! TESTING TIME FOR BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICES: Town regulations require that backflow prevention devices (BFDs) be placed in the water supply lines connected to lawn sprinklers, fire sprinklers, hot tubs and similar devices that are permanently connected to the Town's water system. These BFDs must be tested annually to ensure that the devices are working properly and that the Town's water supply is protected from back siphoning. The Town arranges for this testing on behalf of many residents at a reduced price and bills residents for reimbursement of the actual cost of testing. If you have a BFD that you want the Town to have tested, please notify Clerk-Treasurer Spens by email at townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov.

If you have one or more BFDs that the Town contractor has tested in the past and you prefer to arrange your own testing, please contact Clerk-Treasurer Spens ASAP to have your name removed from our list. If our contractor completes your testing before you notify us of this change, you will be billed for the cost of the testing. Also, residents who choose NOT to have their BFDs tested by the Town's contractor must provide proof that their BFD has been tested by another certified tester and that the BFD has passed the test.

NEXT WABA MEETING: The next regular meeting of the Western Academy of Beaux Arts Board of Trustees will be held at **7:00pm on Thursday, June 4, 2009** at Dan Bridges' house. The Board will continue their discussion and vote on a WABA By-law amendment regarding the issue of adverse possession of WABA property, as was noted in the April and May newsletters and mailed to property owners in April. Additional information regarding this proposed amendment can be found on the WABA website, http://www.waba1908.com or by contacting WABA Clerk Gail D'Alessio.

B.A.R.F. – **B**eaux Arts Racing Fleet is beginning its 2009 summer sailing season with C-15 sailboat races every Wednesday evening, starting June 3rd at 6:30pm on Lake Washington. Each Wednesday evening, there will be at least two races, weather permitting, including one for the Katie Jo Johnson Youth series where the youth that are sailing must take the helm. Refreshments for racers and their families follow the races at the north beach. If you are interested in joining the BARF fleet, assisting with the races or refreshments, or just for more information, please see Carol Clemett or Aaron Sharp. BARF is a time honored tradition here that began as a teaching instrument for village children over 40 years ago.

BEACH CURFEW: Please remember *only WABA property owners are allowed on the beach after curfew*. King County Sheriff will be patrolling the beach and our parking lots around our 10:30 pm curfew throughout the

summer. Your Green Book, Section 11 also has additional WABA rules. Thank you for doing your part to keep our beach safe and clean.

BEACH GUESTS & PARKING: Please remember our beach is private, and *you must accompany your guests at all times*. Thank you for educating your guests on our beach rules, including parking. Remember, WABA members that *parking at the beach is by permit only*. We remind everyone to make sure your car has a parking sticker. Guests accompanying you to the beach in their own vehicle should use your <u>guest parking pass</u> to avoid a ticket. Please see WABA Clerk Gail D'Alessio if you need a parking sticker, parking pass or beach reservation.

BEACH RESERVATIONS: You also *need a reservation for groups of 12 or more*. Reservations can also be made on the WABA website, http://www.waba1908.com, click on the "Calendar" then "Beach Reservation Form".

BEACH SPEED LIMITS: The roads leading down to the north beach (27th) and south beach (28th) have a posted **5 MPH** speed limit. While it's tempting to zoom down the hills to the beach, please be mindful of the 5 MPH speed limit. If you see someone speeding down (or up!) the hill, please motion for them to slow down. And, if someone motions for you to slow down, please do so for the safety of all of our members and guests. Thank you!

BEACHMASTER REPORT: Please remember *the fire pits are for fires only*, not garbage. The garbage and recycling bins are at the south end of both parking lots. WABA encourages members and their guests to try and pack out what you pack in (including garbage), to avoid overflow of these bins especially during the summer months. We also would like to avoid overflow in our bathrooms so *thank you for treating the bathrooms with care* as if they are your own. The roof and the fixtures have recently been repaired; the paint and the lighting were added last year.

BOATER SAFETY: Boater Education Cards are now required for Washington boaters age 12-25. Similar to a driver's license, it requires passing a boating safety course or exam. Other boaters born between 1954 and 1988 are being phased in through 2014. For more information, call (360) 902-8844 or visit http://www.parks.wa.gov/boating/boatered/

LIFEGUARDS: We want to welcome back *Alex Leider and JC Whitney* as our 2009 summer lifeguards. Both Alex and JC are excited to return to the beach. They will be anxiously waiting to see all the young swimmers they met and developed friendships with last summer!

Please join us at the south end of the beach on **Saturday, June 20th at 2:00pm** for a *Meet the Lifeguards* Social. We will be introducing Alex and JC, reviewing the rules of the beach, conducting swim tests and making ice cream sundaes. The official lifeguard summer schedule will be posted at the beach at this meeting but typically Beaux Arts has a lifeguard on duty from Noon to 6pm daily between school's release and school's return.

BEACH MOM REPORT: Please save the following dates on your calendar for upcoming summer activities, which are also on the WABA website's calendar at http://www.waba1908.com. As the new beach mom, I am looking forward to seeing everyone down at the beach a lot this summer! We are planning some fun crafts and activities on several **Wednesday afternoons from 2-4pm** down at the south end of the beach by the swim area. If you can help with any of these activities, please contact Beach Mom Nancy Burlingame. Events include:

<u>July 1:</u> Treasure boxes decorated with seashells and colored sand (use the boxes to keep your beach glass and other summer collections!) with Popsicles!

July 15: Scavenger Hunt and Ice Cream Cones!

July 29: Rock painting. Make your own creature or abstract art! Rock diving and Ice Cream Sandwiches!

Aug. 5: Paper Mache' vases and decorations for the August 8th picnic, with Root beer floats!

Aug. 26: Sun catchers, Paper airplanes and paper airplane competition, with Snow cones!

SUMMER PICNIC AND ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR: The Summer Picnic and the Arts & Crafts Fair will both be held on **Saturday, August 8^{th.}** We *really* need a couple of <u>co-chairs</u> on these events if they are going to happen. This is the rough schedule planned – a more definitive schedule will be posted later.

6am-1pm Kids Competitions at the Beach: Fishing Derby, Pet Parade, Beach Triathlon, and Rock Diving

10am-4pm Arts & Crafts Fair at the Tennis Courts
6pm-9pm WABA Picnic at the Tennis Courts
9pm-9am Kids Sleepover on the Beach

If you are interested in organizing any of these annual traditions, please see WABA Trustee Becky Ryals!

BEAUX ARTS – Our History in the Arts Community: 2009 is the Centennial of the Alaska Yukon Pacific Exposition in Seattle, also known as the AYP. In 1909, the A-Y-P put Seattle on the map, celebrating the culture, industry and innovation that still define our region today with Washington's first World Fair held at the UW campus. Since the Western Academy of Beaux Arts had just been founded the year before, and our founders were still drumming up business for new members, Beaux Arts and our founders are part of the AYP history. There are many AYP events being held throughout 2009 where you can see how Beaux Arts fit into this Seattle history lesson: http://www.ayp100.org/2009/events-activities/links-between-beaux-arts-village-artists-and-ayp-photos-and-artifacts Of special note are the MOHAI exhibit going on now about the "Arts & Crafts Movement in the Pacific Northwest", and the Eastside Heritage Center exhibition from May 1st to August 1st at the Meydenbauer Convention Center entitled "Links between Beaux Arts Village Artists and AYP in Photos and Artifacts". If you find anything worth noting for our own archives, please alert Beaux Arts History Committee Chair Julia Morse.

BUILDING NEWS- The following permits were issued by the Beaux Arts Building Dept. in May:

10010 SE 27th St. 2865 – 102nd Ave. SE Bathroom Roof repair

Deck repair

LOST AND FOUND: The following items found at the beach in April are still waiting to be claimed:

Hitachi Flashlight See Lynn Hall if you think it may be yours Navy Beach Blanket See Angela Kulp if you think it may be yours

NEED TO CONTACT TOWN STAFF?

Contact Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens if you have questions about issues before the Council, general Town business, or Water-Department concerns.

Email: townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov

Phone: (425) 454-8580

Mail: 10550 SE 27th Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004.

Contact Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp if you have questions about the building department, permits, variances, or issues before the Planning Commission or Board of Adjustment.

Email: <u>bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov</u>

Phone: (425) 269-6985

Mail: 10550 SE 27th Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004.

To report Block watch concerns, contact:

Town Marshal Walter Scott: (425) 454-2573 Deputy Marshal Scott Harpster: (425) 746-0757